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- Place cacti in small, sturdy cardboard boxes. Boxes should be 2'x2'x2' or smaller.

NOT ACCEPTED

- **NO** oil, paint, car batteries, pool chemicals or any hazardous materials. Included but not limited to: Antifreeze and automotive products, including car batteries, oil and filters, Flammables, Mercury, Oil-based paint, Pesticides, Propane tanks, gasoline.
- **NO** dirt, rock, gravel, concrete, shingles, bricks, dry wall, blocks, tile, wet or dry mortar, sod, bunny ears or polka dot cactus (*Opuntia*) or other unacceptable items.
- No Tires

Due to continued budget restraints the Town will not be conducting alley or curbside pick ups this 2012 season.

****PLEASE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS EVENT****

CREWS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO HELP WITH THE DISPOSAL OF UNWANTED ITEMS ON SITE.

It is a violation of Town Ordinance to have litter, debris, or any material visible to public view. Take this opportunity to remove any possible violations that may exist on your property.

In order to reduce blight and assist in keeping our neighborhoods safe, residents are asked to bring your bulk trash out.

For More Information, Please Contact:

Cecilia Casillas at Town Hall

623.933.8286





Sand and Gravel Mine Update

By HONORABLE
MICHAEL LeVAULT
MAYOR
TOWN OF YOUNGTOWN

El Mirage is proposing annexation of a county island which sits between Youngtown and El Mirage. It runs from Olive Avenue on the south to just north of Peoria Avenue on the north. The purpose of the annexation is to facilitate a sand and gravel mine through a zoning change and the issuance of a conditional use permit. El Mirage makes the argument that annexation would allow some

control. This argument is hollow since current state law allows a property owner to place a mine virtually anywhere and exempts the operation from state, county and local zoning. Once commenced, the mine would operate with impunity-impervious to any controls by government.

The Youngtown Town Council unanimously opposes this mine because of its close proximity to thousands of existing homes in the many neighborhoods along the Agua Fria River.

Communities like Agua Fria Ranch in Youngtown and Pueblo El Mirage in El Mirage likely will be devastated by this mine which will be inherently noxious and deleterious to public health and which will have a profoundly negative impact on property values in both Youngtown and El Mirage.

At an El Mirage City Council meeting last October, El Mirage Mayor Lana Mook falsely claimed Agua Fria Ranch (AFR) had "...moved in on the mining property..." and that "...all mining will be over 200 feet from any nearby residences..." In fact, at the time AFR homeowners were buying their homes, the property was (and still is) zoned R-43 (Resi-

dential, one house per acre). It was owned by the Indian community, not the mining company; the mining permit had not been issued by Maricopa County and mining operations had not yet commenced. Phase 2 plans submitted to Maricopa County will allow an earthen berm, at the edge of the mine pit, to sit within 25 feet of existing residences.

The Development Agreement, proposed by El Mirage, allows massive excavation, on both sides of the river, as well as a crushing plant, 2 ready-mix concrete batch plants and a hot-mix asphalt plant. Additionally, machinery, used at mining sites, often burns used motor oil as fuel. This operation will generate significant amounts of PM10 (particulate matter of up to 10 micrometers), PM2.5 (particulate matter of less than 2.5 micrometers), and other known carcinogens like nickel, arsenic, hexavalent

chromium, formaldehyde and benzene. The current high incidence of all types of respiratory diseases in communities clustered around the river will undoubtedly be driven higher not just in the neighborhoods immediately adjacent to the mine but also for those downwind to the north and northeast.

There can be no higher aspiration for a municipality than to act in ways and pursue public policies which assure its citizens the safe, healthful and quiet enjoyment of their lives. Rather than enabling and facilitating such an inherently deleterious and dangerous operation immediately adjacent to or just upwind from thousands of El Mirage and Youngtown homes, we ask El Mirage to join with us to convince and assist the property owners in developing the property in a way that reflects a more compatible land use with the existing, adjacent residential neighborhoods.



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Mayor's Town Hall Meeting

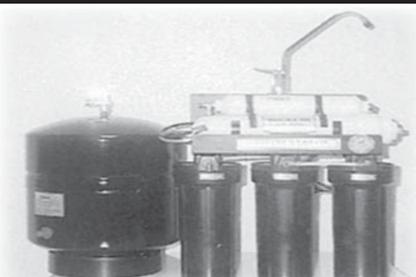
Residents are invited to attend the upcoming Mayor's Town Hall Meeting:
Date: Saturday, Feb. 25
Time: 9 to 11 a.m.
Location: Town Clubhouse
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Food Bank and Community Fund receive donations

Voice of Youngtown, a local group of more than 30 Youngtown businesses, has donated more than \$1,200 this holiday season. Larry Ornelis, from National Glass, along with Lora Rice and Paul Koppy from Koppy's Body Shop,

received a warm welcome when a check was delivered to both the Valley View Food Bank and Youngtown Community Fund in December 2011.

Thank you to all of the businesses that help support our community.



TOWN OF YOUNGTOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS REGULAR MEETINGS

DATE: THURSDAY, January 5, 2012
TIME: 7:02 p.m.
PLACE: TOWN CLUBHOUSE, 12033 CLUBHOUSE SQUARE

Denied: Resolution 12-01 calling an election to initiate a primary property tax.

Approved: Establishment and appointment of a Special "Citizens Tax Advisory Committee.

Approved: Ordinance 12-01 amending Title 2 Administration and Personnel regarding police services.

Adopted: Ordinance 12-02 amending the official zoning map changing zoning from R-3 Single Family Dwelling District to Open Space District for Town-owned parcel at 10617 N. 114th Drive to be used for Community Garden.

Approved: Special Use Application for improvements to wireless communication tower located at 13246 N. 113th Avenue.

Approved: Resolution 12-002 authorizing grant application for FY 2013 Small Communities Transportation Assistance Program (SCTAP) grant not to exceed \$350,000 for Youngtown Peoria Avenue Realignment project.

Approved: Amendment 1 to Exhibit C (Fire Flow Upgrades Phase 1) of contract with Willdan Engineering in the amount of \$21,075.

Approved: Economic Development Action Plan ending June 30, 2012

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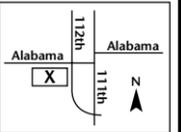
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2. Mount Suribachi is the highest point where?
3. What owner of the Atlanta Braves appointed himself the club's manager but lasted only one day on the job?
4. What type of popular transplant was invented in 1959?
5. What Hershey's candy is so named because the original manufacturing process couldn't produce the perfectly round candies the company wanted?
6. What bingo number is referred to as "two little ducks"?



See answers on page 11

If you have an interesting trivia question that you would like to submit, send it to Jamie Boyett at jamieboyett@cox.net.

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From the Bench...Beware of scam artists

My mother used to tell me that during the depression in the 1930's, homeless people traveling the country seeking work, quite often appeared at their back door looking for food hand-outs. This was not uncommon during these times in our history.

Those with a home and food to spare were usually compassionate and more than happy to help their fellow Americans who found themselves in the desperate straits of the depression.

The majority of these individuals were honest hard working people, devastated by the downturn of the economy. Today, our socioeconomic makeup has changed. Our society has become more violent, thus requiring us to be more vigilant than ever when making decisions to offer a helping hand.

Over the years I have seen many theft cases in court. There is no shortage of scams that criminals have developed that will separate you from your money. Sometimes they turn violent. The following are examples of recent scams that opportunistic thieves operating in the metropolitan area have been pulling. The majority of these incidents occur in grocery store or shopping mall parking lots and women are most often the preferred targets of



Lex Anderson
Town Magistrate

close enough to hand it to the victim, he grabs her purse. This one actually happened to my aunt. She was suspicious and quick enough to get the door closed and locked. The frustrated con became angry and started beating on the window as she drove off.

Another scam is the phony truck driver at the rest stop claiming to have run out of fuel and desperately needs money for gas, saying that his truck is full of perishables. To further play on the sympathy of the victim he often says he will be fired if he loses his load.

Police say a favorite ruse for female cons is to ask for money to buy baby formula or diapers. Another new one involves a thief asking for a few pennies or a nickel... a very small amount of money until the victim puts her purse in a vulnerable position to be taken. It is unfortunate that the criminal element in society has made us so suspicious of everyone's motives, but when it comes to strangers approaching you in parking lots... Beware.

choice.

One scam with variations is the broken down vehicle routine. The con will approach the intended victim and explain how his car just broke down and needs money for a fan belt, etc. They promise to pay you back if you give them your name and address. Sometimes the con is just looking to see how much money he can peacefully collect from as many trusting people in the area. Others grab for the purse or wallet at the first opportunity.

One of the most recent is the con approaching the woman shopper just as she is ready to get into her car. The con will waive a 5 dollar bill in the air stating "hey, you dropped this" but as soon as he gets

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The MCSO Auto Theft Unit will be conducting a free glass VIN etching detail between 3 and 8 p.m. Feb. 28 in the Town of Youngtown. The detail will be at 13232 N. 111th Ave., which is the northwest corner of 111th Avenue and Michigan.

VIN etching means your vehicle's 17 digit identification number being permanently affixed on all windows of your vehicle. The process will take about 10 minutes. VIN etching assists Police in identifying your vehicle if it is stolen or parted out in a chop shop. VIN etching also deters thieves from wanting to take your vehicle due to the vehicle's parts now being easily identified by Police. Auto Theft Detectives will be on site to answer your questions on how to help prevent vehicle thefts and how to sign up for Arizona's "Watch Your Car Program." Hope to see you out there. Please contact Det. Cocking at 602-876-3900 if you have any questions or need further details.





In the works: Youngtown's own 'Duckman'

By **JIM FOX**
PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER

There are lots of heroes to each of us including Superman, Batman, Wonder Woman, and Bat-girl, but did anyone know we have one working for Youngtown Public Works? Enter... "Duckman." Even though he doesn't want much attention for his acts of kindness, Dan King of Youngtown's Public Works crew, has become a hero to some of the ducks at Maricopa Lake. Dan started with Youngtown just several months ago and was assigned the responsibility of the Parks Division within Public Works. This responsibility includes caring for Maricopa Lake, one of the town's seven

parcs. Well, as everyone knows, at the lake are many waterfowl including ducks and geese. One day while doing his daily list of duties, Dan noticed that one of our ducks appeared to be injured. The duck's condition didn't change from day to day, so Dan researched on nights and weekends to learn more about the duck. He found out that it was one of our two Muscovy Ducks.

The term Muscovy means from the Moscow region, but these ducks are neither native there nor were they introduced there before they became known in other parts of the world.

You may have seen these unique looking ducks at Maricopa Lake Park. On the head, the male has a

short red crest on the nape. The bill is black with a speckling of pale pink. A blackish or dark red knob can be seen at the bill base. Both sexes have a nude black-and-red or all-red face; the drake also has pronounced red caruncles at the base of the bill and a low erect crest of feathers. Dan's research tells us that many individuals believe that Muscovies are more of a goose than a duck. For instance, they do not quack. Many people like this trait since they are quiet ducks. The males make a hissing sound while the females make a sound known as a pip. Many people like to have the Muscovies on their lake or pond because the Muscovies will eat a lot of the algae and weeds and Muscovies are responsible for eating literally millions of mosquitos and other pests every year. They eat the mosquito larva right in the water, and they nip in the air and eat the ones flying around. They love roaches and eat them like they are candy. They eat flies, maggots and do a lot to keep down the fly population. So much for the biology lesson.

Dan found a rescue league for birds and took the injured

duck to Jody at the Fallen Feathers Rescue League in Peoria. The rescue league operates completely on donations, so there was no cost to the Town. After examination by the Veterinarian, it was discovered

MORE MUSCOVY ON 11

Youngtown welcomes new Court Administrator, Virginia Bermudez

Virginia Bermudez is the new Court Administrator and is taking the place of Diana Kutcher. She formerly worked in the City of Peoria Court and brings much experience to heighten the professionalism of the Youngtown Municipal Court. Youngtown is pleased to have Bermudez's level of proficiency and the Town warmly welcomes her.



Virginia Bermudez

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Youngtown Public Library News, February: Happy Valentine's Day

have appropriately named him "Dewey", after the book of the same name, based on the true story of a beloved library cat of Spencer, Iowa, and also after the Dewey Decimal System. The charming story of "Dewey Readmore Books," tells the tale of a kitten who was stuffed into a library book return slot, and rescued the next day by the library director. Come to the library and check-out the book or visit our very own Town Library cat.



Dewey, a stray cat that has been temporarily adopted and named by the Youngtown Library staff, is hanging out at the Library with staff, volunteers and patrons until his owner can be found.

The Library is open on all Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (except for holiday weekends). We have also made a few other changes, so stop in and see what we are

doing. The new book section is now in the front, right across from the check-out area.

We are having another children's drawing/coloring contest

this month. The theme is Valentine's Day, so draw some hearts or flowers and bring your entries in to the Library by Feb. 15. Winners will be announced Feb. 17.

Story Time continues on Tuesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. for ages 2 to 5.

Resume Writing assistance is available with Diana Green, our library clerk, on Mondays and Tuesdays from 2 to 4 p.m.

To help you with any projects you may have, the Library offers suggestions via books, magazines, and newspapers for travel, organization, cooking, reading, and many other areas. Come and look at all the information. There are community notices, Youngtown Clubs to join and volunteer opportunities.

Hours of operation are: Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturdays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Youngtown Historical Museum is open by appointment by contacting Manager Heidi Speed.

The Library will be closed Feb. 18 to 20 in observance of President's Day.

*Heidi Speed,
 Library Manager*

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grown, evolved, and now, finally it has come into its own. A brand new look, all 4 Paws, except for the faces of those who operate the store. Stop by and check out the newly remodeled store.

West Valley Genealogical Society News

Toni Eubanks, Educational Consultant and Project Developer for Girl Scouts of the USA, Adjunct English Instructor at Arizona State University-West, and South Mountain Community College, and previously at the College of New Rochelle, NY, will speak on the history and literature of Ethnic Groups of Women in the United States, their coming of age experiences growing up in different eras of American history, and how these groups have shaped our country's history and identity.

The meeting will be 1:30 p.m. Feb. 13 at the First Presbyterian Church, 12225 N. 103rd Ave., Sun City. Attendance is open to anyone interested in pursuing family history. Bring a friend.

The West Valley Genealogical Society and Library will also be offering the following classes for the newly curious or experienced family history researcher. Registration is required, fees are applicable and space is limited.

- Research Techniques 1 - Four Wednesdays, starting Feb 1, 1 to 3 p.m.
- Irish Research - Two Tuesdays, starting Feb 7, 1 to 2 p.m.
- Roots Magic 2 - Two Wednesdays, starting Feb 8, 1 to 3 p.m.
- Novice Class - One Monday, Feb 13, 1 to 3 p.m.



Toni Eubanks will be speaking at the February 13 West Valley Genealogical Society meeting.

- Family Tree Maker 1 - Four Mondays, starting Feb 27, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
 - Immigrant Research - One Tuesday, Feb 21, 1 to 3 p.m.
 - Research Techniques 2 - Four Wednesdays, starting Feb 29, 1 to 3 p.m.
- Can't attend? More details are available at the website of the West Valley Genealogical Society: www.azwvgs.org, or by calling 623-933-4945.

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MORE CODE VIOLATION PHOTOS ON 9

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Lupe Romero has been hired as a Code Enforcement Inspector. Romero will be working with Joseph Garnica and Waymon Smythe under the direction of Public Safety Manager Mike Kessler to safeguard the Town's image as a clean and safe community.

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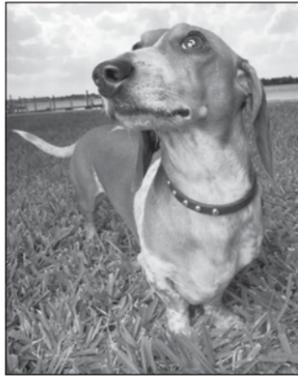
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that was how my mind was whirling, around and around. Jumping from one thought to another. I called my husband; "its cancer" I managed to croak out and burst into tears. "I'll be home soon," he said. "We'll do this together."

I saw more doctors in one year than I had in my whole life; X-ray technicians, my family doctor, more specialists, a place that did a biopsy, another x ray, a stereoptic biopsy, and then finally the surgeon. The surgeon is the one who told me I had cancer. I asked "What happens next?" The surgeon said "I just do the



Cancer survivor of 13 years, Alyson Cline.

surgery. You will see an oncologist once we have done the surgery."

I went home not really knowing anything except

that my world had changed. It would never be the same. I had cancer. My friends helped me. My family cared for me. My boss understood; but somehow my job was no longer the passion of my life.

It's been 13 years, now. I've slowed down a bit. I take a little more time to enjoy each day. When the American Cancer Society invited me to attend a Relay for Life and participate as a survivor 3 years ago. I said yes. I didn't really know what a Relay for Life was then; now I know it is a celebration of life and living each day. It is a time

for remembering those who are fighting cancer or have lost that fight. It is joy, it is tears. It is the right thing for me to do. I Relay for Life.

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MUSCOVY: Youngtown seeks friend, From 5

that the duck needed surgery to insert a pin in its broken leg. Dan checked on the condition of the duck several days later and learned that unfortunately, the duck died during surgery. Now when Dan arrives at the lake the remaining Muscovy duck comes to greet him in hopes that Dan has brought his friend back.



Muscovies generally associate with their own breed. Each one seems to have his or her own unique personality. We will be on the lookout for anyone having a Muscovy to donate to Youngtown so we can return a friend. Meanwhile, the

Maricopa Lake recently lost one of its two Muscovies when it underwent surgery to help repair a broken leg. Muscovies generally associate with their own breed. Each one seems to have his or her own unique personality. The other muscovy at the lake now misses his friend. Youngtown is looking for anyone having a Muscovy to donate.

waterfowl at our Lake is constantly watched over by "Duckman." You can learn more about the bird rescue league by visiting www.fallenfeathers.org.

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2. Iwo Jima.
3. Ted Turner
4. Hair transplant.
5. Milk Duds.
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As mentioned in last month's article, we are making our Town greener in order to attract shoppers and diners to the many businesses we have. On Jan. 5, Town Council passed an economic development action plan that includes a small allocation of com-

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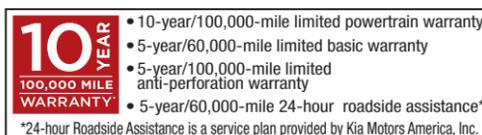
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